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We are forced to use the entire first page to bring our financial plight to our readers because we face the serious danger of not appearing at all.

We have warned that we must receive at least $6,000 a week in our current fund campaign through December if we are to keep going. Last week, we received only $3,600. For the first four days of this week, only $1,700 has come in.

We are now at the end of all resources. Our printer's bill has piled up, and he cannot go on without payment.

We considered cutting the paper to four pages. But the presses in the print shop cannot print that small a paper. So we are forced to stay at eight pages at an expense that we simply cannot meet.

Some readers take publication of the paper for granted. We have appeared regularly for nearly 29 years, so they think we will continue automatically. We have done so, however, only because our readers have always come to our support.

Many of our readers have come through splendidly. They have contributed, some of them several times, even though it has meant heavy sacrifice. But most readers have not taken part in this campaign.

They have been contributing to other fund drives for progressive causes. We are happy that they do so. But this in no way helps meet the needs of the Daily Worker.

THE ONLY RESOURCES WE HAVE FOR CONTINUING TO PUBLISH ARE THE CONTRIBUTIONS SENT OR BROUGHT TO US DIRECTLY FROM OUR READERS IN THIS $50,000 CAMPAIGN. WE MUST RECEIVE AT LEAST $5,000 IN THE NEXT FEW DAYS IF WE ARE TO BE ABLE TO CONTINUE AND $10,000 BY THE END OF NEXT WEEK.

We ask that every reader—and we mean every reader—immediately send from five to ten dollars to: P.O. Box 136, Cooper Station, New York City; or bring it to 35 E. 12th St., 8th floor.

Newspaper Conspiracy Suppresses Rosenberg Witness' Perjury

By MILTON HOWARD

For the past 48 hours, the newspapers of New York have kept from their readers, and from the country as a whole, the key fact that the FBI's political police were forced to admit that one of their key witnesses in the Rosenberg case had perjured himself with the knowledge and collusion of the FBI itself.

All newspapers and press services had this information from the official records. The Daily Worker alone published it.

On Dec. 2, FBI agent John Harrington was forced by the Rosenberg defense to admit in an affidavit submitted to Judge Sylvester Ryan that he had secretly taken key witness, passport photographer Ben Schneider into the courtrom to identify Julius Rosenberg before Schneider was officially called to the witness stand.

On the witness stand, this FBI witness had then falsely testified that this was the first time he had seen Julius Rosenberg since he allegedly photographed him several months before.

The defense charges that the prosecution knew that the FBI's wtness was falsely testifying. It notes that FBI agent Harrington was sitting in the courtroom while the man he had secretly brought to identify Rosenberg the previous day was giving this false testimony.

KNEW ALL DETAILS

The newspapers of New York City knew all the details of this admitted falsehood. In their reports of the defense petition for a stay of execution, the press deceived its readers into believing that the defense had admitted that the Rosenbergs "stole" top "classfied information" but that this information was not important "to the Soviet Union." In actual fact, there was not a single word of such admission in the defense petition. The press had taken word for word the distortion inserted into his counter-petition by U. S. Attoreny Myles Lane.

This proves that the press which covered the Dec. 2 hearings for a stay of execution knew of the perjured testimony by the FBI's witness and the FBI's role in it. But to this moment, not a single metropolitan paper except the Daily Worker has provided this on-the-record fact to the public.

WORLD PROTESTS

From all parts of the world protests are arriving as the day of the planned execution of the Rosenbergs during the week of January 12 draws near.

Legal experts point out there is not a single item of tangible evidence linking the Rosenbergs to any kind of espionage whatsoever. The sole "evidence" consists of the unsupported word of one man, David Greenglass, who was himself seized by the FBI and apparently threatened with dire results if he did not "play ball."

In its petition for a new trial, the defense documents the enormous propaganda against the defendants and the manufacture of an artificial hysteria about a non-existent "atomic secret." It also notes that the FBI and the prosecution gave statements to the press which condemned the framed Rosenbergs in advance as "spies" for a "Soviet ring", but that none of this was cited in the indictment or could be proved in the trial.

Telegram and letters to President Truman are coming from all parts of the world urging clemency so that if and when the truth about this case comes out the victims will not have been killed before their vindication.

ASK NEWSPAPERS TO RUN PAID ADS

The National Committee to Secure Justice in the Rosenberg Case addressed a telegram today to the major metropolitan newspapers — the Times, Herald Tribune, Daily News, World-Telegram, and Post—requesting paid space to place the plea for clemency for the Rosenbergs before the people of the City of New York.

The text of the telegram follows:

"Our Committee is prepared to place in your newspaper a full-page paid advertisement seeking clemency for Ethel and Julius Rosenberg subject to your rates and any legal restriction on text. We request your immediate response to this request."

Why Pentagon Decided to Abolish Word 'Casualties'

With the rejection of the proposed cease-fire in Korea the Pentagon moved this week to adopt a new method of reporting to the American people on the steadily mounting lists of killed, wounded and missing. The new system was devised for the purpose of minimizing and playing down the shocking human costs of the Wall Street's adventure which has already aroused widespread opposition and protest.

The Pentagon action is obviously an attempt to prepare for still increasing casualties as intervention against the Korean people continues.

The Defense Department inagurated its new method of Wednesday when it made its weekly report. Although it admitted that the U. S. has to date sustained losses of 20,004 killed in action, 94,387 wounded, and 13,012 missing, the report omitted mentioning the total—127,383. It revealed that henceforth totals of killed, wounded and missing, would not be issued.

Furthermore, the Pentagon said, it had decided to eliminate the word "casualties" from its vocabulary and from its official releases on Korea.

But wire services and newspapers, unable to find another word to fit the grim facts, continued to list the killed, wounded and missing as casualties.

The newspapers were not only franker but more correct than the Defense Department. Funk and Wagnalls College Dictionary defines casualty as "a soldier missing in action or removed from active duty by death, wounds, or capture."

The Defense Department statement, however, acknowledged that its reason for dropping the word "casualties" and abolishing the practice of weekly totals was the impact these weekly listings have had on the American people.

The press officers of the department have admittedly been trying to make a hated war less unpopular by searching for a synonym for casualties which would not carry the grim horror associated with this word.

The search for a more "pleasing" word to sugarcoat the bitter pill of Korean casualties began during the election campaign, the Pentagon said, when the Eisenhower campaign managers seized on the mounting casualty list as a big issue to win anti-Truman votes. It was decided, however, that the word "casualties" would be retained until after Nov. 4.

Many Areas in US Hail Dec. 12 Peace Congress

Individuals and organizations in California, Connecticut, Utah, Iowa and many other states are sending their greetings to the Congress of the Peoples for Peace, opening Dec. 12 in Vienna, the office of the U. S. Sponsoring Committee of the Congress announced yesterday.

"Like all the peoples of the world, the men and women of Utah fervently desire peace," the League for Common Sense of Salt Lake City states in its greetings. "Among many," it adds, "there is confusion and misunderstanding, doubt and fear, but the need we feel for harmony among nations and peace on this earth transcends differences and and doubt."

A state Youth Leader in the Iowa Farmers Union writes that she is putting every effort into the fight for world peace.

From Sonoma, Calif., comes the message: "Victory is sure for all the people. We meet together from everywhere, in brotherhod, all people of good-will, to bring peace on earth. No one shall profit from war."

Fund-raising parties are being held by church and peace groups.

Send your contributions for the Daily Worker fund drive to P. O. Box 136, Cooper Station, New York.

Feinberg Law Action Begun Against CP

By HARRY RAYMOND

A hearing, started yesterday before the State Board of Regents to determine whether the Communist Party is a "subversive" organization under provisions of the Feinberg Law, was condemned by Simon W. Gerson, is state legislative chairman of the CP, as a "thought control" action, a "modern inquisition destructive of academic freedom." Gerson addressed the three-member panel of Regents in the hearing chamber, Room 116, County Courthouse, in Foley Square.

Representing the CP as counsel was John Abt, who said that the Regents were granting the party the "form of justice" while denying the "substance of justice." George Blake Charney, Communist Party state labor secretary, assisted Abt at the counsel table.

Welles V. Moot is hearing panel chairman.

Bruce Bromley, special counsel of the Regents board, said he would call Louis F. Budenz, professional anti-labor informer, as the first witness when the hearing resumes at 10 a.m. today.

Chairman Moot stated that following today's session the proceedings would adjourn till after the Christmas holidays.

Bromley took up most of yester-

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Steve Nelson Thrown in 'Hole'; Life Periled; Bail Drive Urged

By ART SHIELDS

PITTSBURGH, Dec. 4.—Steve Nelson was transferred today from the prison in Pittsburgh to the medieval County Workhouse at Blawnox, Pa., where he was flung into the dungeon hole at once by order of Judge Harry M. Montgomery, who had sentenced him to 20 years on a state "sedition" frameup.

"This place is a living death. We must work harder than ever to get Steve out on bail," declared his wife Margaret Nelson, upon learning of the transfer.

Nelson was thrown into the dark chilly "hole" at Blawnox at once without explanatioin early today. He was given nothing to eat all day.

"I am very cold," Nelson told Ralph Powe, Negro attorney, who rushed to the prison as soon as he heard of the transfer. Nelson has nothing to wear except filthy pants, a shirt and a pair of slippers without socks.

There is no furniture on the cement floor of the "hole." There is no bed. A plank will be put in at night for Nelson to sleep on. Nelson's infected ear, which pains him greatly is untreated except with paper wadding.

"I was thrown into the 'hole' for political reasons," said Nelson.

Nelson's attorney is only permitted to see him for half an hour. This hampers greatly preparations of the defense for the coming Smith Act though control trial in Pittsburgh.

["Nationwide protests must meet the announcement that Steve Nelson has been returned to the Blawnox workhouse," William L. Patterson, head of the Civil Rights Congress, declared upon hearing of the action. "Steve Nelson's life is in danger in that terrible prison. Protests should be addressed to Gov. John S. Fine, State Capitol, Harrisburg, Pa.; to Judge Montgomery, and to the warden at the County Workhouse, Blawnox, Pa."]

Before his transfer to the workhouse Nelson had asked his friends to speed the drive to free him on bail, while he appeals his barbarous 20-year sentence on frame-up charges of "sedition." He has already spent 160 days in prison without the right to liberty under bonds, pending appeal.

Steve greeted his visitors warmly. And the old Steve Nelson fighting spirit is still there. But his health has suffered in prison. He has been troubled for some time by an acute ear ache, which is affecting his hearing. And he is sallow and physically run down.

Steve urged his friends to use the time gained by the postponement of the Federal Smith Act trial until after the New Year to speed the campaign against the frameup system.

"The delay is a victory for the defense if we use the time to expose the Smith Act and State 'Sedition' Act frameups before the working people," he said. "These laws are not just directed against Communists. They are aimed at the whole workingclass and against every believer in peace."

"We dare not take it easy in the time that will elapse before the trial resumes," added Nelson. "If we do, the frameup gang will gain by the delay. We must remember that every blow against the Smith Act and 'Sedition' Act frameups is part of the struggle for peace. The big war trusts of Pittsburgh and Wall Street can't put America into war unless they destroy civil liberties at home."

"In this period we must not only fight for bail for myself," Nelson continued. "We must fight for a change of venue from Pittsburgh for all the Smith Act defendants —Ben Careathers, William Albertson, Irving Weissman and Jim Dolsen of the Daily Worker.

"The first weeks of our trial showed that it is impossible to get a fair jury from the hand-picked jury panels here."

DEMONSTRATION AT BONN DELAYS REARMAMENT VOTE

BONN, Dec. 4.—Hundreds of Germans demonstrated today before the Federal Chancellery here against rearmament, and forced Chancellor Konrad Adenauer to postpone the final vote on the question till the middle of January. Earlier, Adenauer had insisted that the Bundestag, or lower house, go today through the third, and final, reading of the bill ratifying the Washington-dictated anti-Soviet treaty under which west Germany is to be rearmed.

Women took a large part in today's demonstration, it was reported.

Police used high pressure hose against the demonstrators.

Pittsburghers Defeat Attack on Symphony Dedicated to USSR

By ART SHIELDS

PITTSBURGH.—An attempt by the witchhunting Judge Michael A. Musmanno and the labor spy Matt Cvetic to wreck the Pittsburgh Music Festival, because one of the scheduled compositions written during the anti-fascist war had been dedicated to the Soviet Union, was overwhelmingly defeated here.

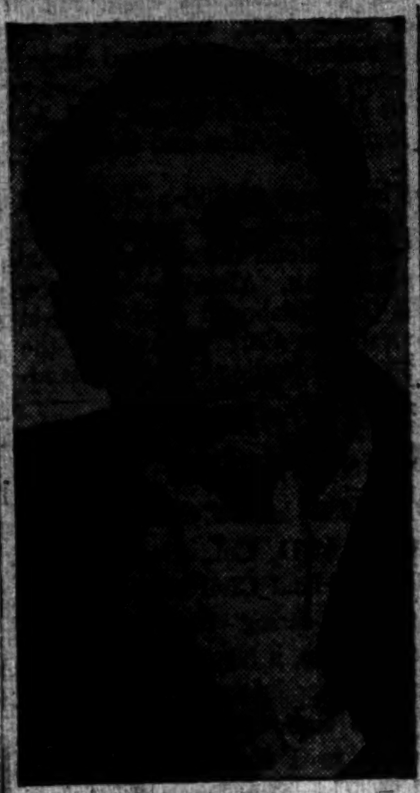
[The Pittsburgh Contemporary Music Festival—the first ever held in this city—took place the week of Nov. 24-29. Official co-sponsers were the Carnegie Institute and the Pennsylvania College for Women. The Festival presented 46 compositions by musicians of 18 countries. Roy Harris, American composer, was its guiding force. Among the organizations that helped finance the festival programs were the Mellon Educational and Charitable Trust, Howard Heinz Foundation, Baldwin Piano Co. and the American Society of Composers, Authors and Publishers.]

Musmanno, Cvetic and Judge Blair F. Gunther, of the Pennsylvania Superior Court, had been railing for days at Dr. Roy Harris, the composer of the Fifth Symphony, which had been dedicated to the Soviet Union.

They denounced the composer in the press and radio with almost the same violence that they had used against Steve Nelson.

But Pittsburghers rejected the redbaiting culture-killers. Cries of "Bravo!" "Bravo!" filled the giant Syrian Mosque auditorium when the audience of several thousands stood up and applauded composer Harris for several minutes.

Harris' Fifth Symphony was the principal musical feature of the Festival.



ROY HARRIS

Nothing else got such tremendous applause.

Some high Pittsburgh dignitaries joined in the applause. Among them were Mayor David L. Lawrence, co-chairman of the Festival; James H. Bovard, president of Carnegie Institute, a co-chairman, and Paul R. Anderson, president of the Pennsylvania College for Women, another co-chairman.

The three Pittsburgh leaders said in part:

"The thing to remember is that it (the Harris symphony) was dedicated to the people of Russia when they were our allies in the days of Stalingrad when the American people universally wished the Russian people success in their resistance to the Nazi invasion.

"We all pray for the day when we can be friends again with every people in the world.

"If we were to draw a musical barrier against all of those with whom we have sometimes been at war," the concert stage "would be deprived" of German, Italian, Spanish, Mexican "or even British" music.

Dr. Harris, in a statement, reminded the people that the United States has never been at war with the Soviet Union. He was not a Communist, he added.

Musmanno, Cvetic and Gunther had first gone to Harris to demand he cancel his dedication to the Soviet Union. When Harris refused they asked some of his musical colleagues to put pressure on Harris. They likewise refused. Then they asked other Festival authorities to halt the symphony. When that failed they begged the people over the radio to "sit on their hands" when the Harris Fifth Symphony was rendered.

Instead the audience gave the Symphony joyful applause.

The three redbaiters wailed that the performance was a "red scar on the face of Pennsylvania."

Mayor Lawrence and his colleagues, however, called it a "landmark in Pittsburgh's cultural progress" and expressed their "deep thanks to Dr. Harris," who directed the symphony as well as composed it.

The CIO here has asked Dr. Harris to give low price performances in the mill towns.

on the scoreboard—

—by lester rodney

Some Yankee Organization Quotes . . . .

WHEN JACKIE ROBINSON struck a nerve with an honest answer on a national television program to a young woman fan's honest question, the Yankees' George Weiss began jumping down at the Phoenix winter meetings. The Yanks don't discriminate, said the general manager of an organization which has the game's biggest bankroll and biggest scouting organization and has never outscouted or outbid the Dodgers, Indians and Giants for such stars as Doby, Irvin, Mays, Newcombe, Black and Minoso—all of whom played in Yankee Stadium as Negro League stars before being signed by anyone.

An organization, mind you, which has never so much as had a single Negro prospect at its St. Petersburg spring training camp for a LOOK.

Yes, the Yankees have Negro players on some of their farm teams. Which brings up an interesting little conversation recorded by Dan Daniel in the World-Telegram of July 17, this year. It amply demonstrates the attitude of Weiss toward any Negro player on a Yankee farm who seems to be moving toward big league stature. Get this. Weiss would undoubtedly like it forgotten right now:

DANIEL: "How about the agitation for a Negro player in the Stadium? Vic Power, outfielder with the Kansas City club, has been leading the American Association in batting for the past five weeks. He is hitting .357 and has driven in 75 runs. Is it fair to assume that Power will be asked to report at St. Petersburg next spring?"

WEISS: "There is no basis for assuming any such thing."

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WOULD YOU CALL that unconcealed hostility a prejudiced attitude by the Yankee management? Could you call it anything else? That's what Jackie Robinson said. Who is Weiss trying to kid now that the national spotlight goes on his un-American policies? Those Negro and white pickets around the Stadium on Saturday afternoons weren't walking around for their health.

And what does the unprejudiced Weiss and the other Yankee moguls have to say about this quote of Bill McCorry, Weiss' personal appointment as Yankee travelling secretary, after the rotten firing of the popular Jackie Farrell? Here is what McCorry snarled, in the presence of other reporters, to a New York Times reporter, who was speaking of Willie Mays:

"I don't care what he (Mays) did today or any other day. I got no use for him—or any of them. I wouldn't want any of them on a club I was with. I wouldn't arrange a berth on the train for any of them."

There it is. Will the Yankee management immediately fire this foul racist to prove Robinson was wrong on the television program?

If McCorry is not fired forthwith, the fans of New York should certainly think about dealing with the Yankee organization exactly as they would deal with it if John Rankin were hired as travelling secretary.

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WHAT SOME PEOPLE would have liked was revealed in a World-Telegram headline from Phoenix entitled "Frick Will Apply Silencer On Jackie." The story said that Weiss had conferred with Frick. The headline turned out all wet, as the commissioner denied he would speak to Robinson at all and said: "There is still free speech in baseball." On past occasions Frick has been no noticeable improvement on Happy Chandler, but this time it must be admitted he said it good.

It was also nice to see Buzzy Buvazi, Dodger general manager and a much different cut of cat than Weiss, say that the Yanks had no right to accuse Robinson of "popping off," that Jackie had been asked a question "and he answered it."

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ONE FINAL NOTE for the moment on the Robinson-Yankee affair. Vic Power, the Negro player for the Yanks' Kansas City farm team, wound up hitting .331 with 109 runs batted in. He played outfield, first and third, wherever he was most needed, and he has expressed confidence that he could make the big leagues.

By any baseball standards, he certainly rates a look at St. Petersburg. Will he get it? And will he be at the tender mercies of McCorry for his travelling arrangements?

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This and That

A DODGER DEAL for lefty Warren Spahn is reported really simmering. He would certainly be what the pitching staff needed. The Braves want no less than Hodges, Furillo and Cox. Two of those three, with the possible substitution of Pafko for Furillo, and a farmhand thrown in, is possible, and would be a good deal for both clubs, think we. . . .

"World Sport," official magazine for the British Olympic Association, has just concluded a poll to name the "leading" sportsman in the world. Emil Zatopek of Czechoslovakia was the runaway winner. . . . With the Giant offense, running as well as passing, in the doldrums, wouldn't it seem like a good idea to give the speedy, elusive Emlen Tunnell a chance to run with offense? At Iowa he was a tremendous ground gainer, and his runbacks of punts and kickoffs have shown him to be the most dangerous open field threat the Giants have. . . .

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NEW GROUND GAINING leader in pro football is Dan Towler, the hard-hitting Negro fullback of the L. A. Rams out of Donora, Pa., and Washington and Jefferson. His 132 yards against the '49ers put him out in front with 732 for the season. His running threat helps open things up for the spectacular go-all-the-way aerials of Waterfield and Van Brocklin. . . . The "Post" is out already with the gamblers' point spread on the Bowl Games. And even though the regular season is hardly over they manage to serve the gamblers by digging up and printing the point spread on such games as Georgia vs. Miami and Florida vs. Kentucky Saturday. Free press, you know. (Isn't it disgusting? . . .)

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THANKS TO those who have sent money in to the paper through this column the past few days. Will definitely catch up on all acknowledgments in Monday's column. Please keep it coming, especially those who haven't sent anything yet.

HAVE YOU INTRODUCED A NEW READER TO NEW YORK'S ONLY PROGRESSIVE PAPER?

'OUTPOST IN MALAYA' IS A RUBBER EXPLOITERS' FILM

From J. Arthur Rank's film, "Outpost in Malaya," which made its debut at Loew's State, one would never know that the Malayan people are fighting for their independence along with other colonial peoples of Asia . . . Britain's U. S.-backed war on the Malayan people is passed off as a battle to suppress bandit gangs attacking rubber plantations.

But in presenting this lie, British film magnate Rank does us at least one service. The picture exposes the U. S. State Department's false words about needing victory in Malaya to protect the "free world."

The word "Communism" is not even hinted at in the picture, which says frankly that the fighting is to protect the holdings of imperialist owners of Malayan rubber. As one character candidly says about the main plantation boss, "Old Jim wouldn't like to lose his trees."

All of the Malayan people, except a few collaborators, are portrayed with contempt. Their lives do not count, but serve only the needs of the white gentry.

The main problem of the story, of course, is not the future of the Malayan people. It is whether Claudette Colbert can go on living happily in Malaya with her rich husband, sharing the joys of fighting off "bandits" and blissfully reaping profits together at the expense of the people.

The film's attempt to make a thriller out of the brutal slaughter of the Malayans falls flat on its face.

A melodramatic ending, complete with the piercing screams of Claudette, was met with laughter from the audience. The louder she screamed, the louder they laughed.

But the rubber plantation is saved!

—T. JACOBS.

WOMAN AND CHILD
By ANDREA GOMEZ

Brazil, Mexican Art Exhibit This Weekend

An exhibit of Mexican and Brazilian Graphic Art will be held this Saturday and Sunday (Dec. 6-7) from 1 to 7 p.m. at Hotel Albert, 42 E. 11 St. Admission is free.

The exhibit is sponsored by the Latin American Research Bureau. One of its features will be a complete display of the new Mexican art publication 'Art De Publico' which includes works by a host of distinguished Mexican artists, including David Alfaro Siqueiros and Diego Rivera.

A set of eight 16x20 prints by Mexican masters of graphic art will be on sale at the exhibit for $3. Included in this portfolio are works by Pablo O'Higgins, Alberto Beltran, Andrea Gomez, Leopold Mendez, Raul Anguiano and Jose Chavez Morado.

On Sunday night at 7:30 there will be a symposium on 'Modern Art and The People.' The speakers will be Elmer Bendiner, recently returned from Brazil, and artists Charles White, Robert Gwathemy and Jack Levine.

'Loyalty' Victims Invited Back by California U.

BERKELEY, Calif., Dec. 3. (FP).—After more than two years the University of California has invited back the 17 faculty members who were dismissed for refusing to sign the special regents' loyalty oath. It also invited back 10 others who did not take their cases to court but who were recommended for reinstatement by the university's academic senate.

Reappointment is dependent on the teachers' signing the Levering act oath for all public employes, incorporated into the state constitution in the Nov. 4 election.

Any professor who does not wish to sign this oath may "resign honorably," according to president Robert G. Sproul, and if he does so within 30 days will receive full retroactive and severance pay up to that date.

Details of compensation for the others will be worked out by Sproul.

Forum on 'Jazz' This Sunday

A forum on "Jazz" will be held this Sunday afternoon 3:30 p.m. at the Frederick Douglass School. Speakers will be Sidney Finkelstein, author of "How Music Expresses Ideas" and "Jazz" and Abner W. Berry, an editor of The Worker. Hope Foye, young people's artist, will chair the discussion.

Contemporary Negro music and the special problems of the Negro musician will be discussed, as well as the role of "Be Bop" and other jazz innovations. There will be audience discussion and illustrative recordings.

The forum is to be held at the school's auditorium, 124 West 124 St. Admission is $1.

Smith Act Judge Sends Negro to Jail as 'Example'

By DON WHEELDIN

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 4.—Federal Judge William C. Mathes, who added to his reputation for harsh sentences during the recent Smith Act trials here, sent a Negro postal worker to prison last week despite recommendation of U. S. prosecutors and the federal probation department for leniency.

Jesse Sparks, 34, postal clerk, worked for 15 years for the U.S. postal service at Station R, 330 W. Vernon Ave.

With a perfect record behind him, Sparks and his wife, who also worked, started buying a home and an automobile. Sparks also contributed to the purchase of a home for his mother.

In the course of carrying this heavy financial load, both Sparks' wife and his mother fell ill. The added medical bills doubled the debts of the Negro postal worker.

The situation worsened as creditors threatened to garnishee his wages.

URGENT NEED

On Sept. 15, Sparks had to have $200 cash for immediate payment of bills, in order to forestall threats of attachment against his salary. Such an attachment could have resulted in loss of his civil service job.

The postal clerk, in desperation, reached into the cash box and took $200 to satisfy his creditor deadline, figuring to repay the amount Sept. 18—three days later—when his paycheck was due to arrive.

Sparks knew that postal inspection was scheduled—but the postal inspectors were not due until the 18th.

But the postal inspector came to Station R to inspect the records on the 17th.

Sparks pleaded "an emergency" to leave his job and rush out to scrape up $200 from among friends.

He returned to the post office and hastily shoved the missing money into his cash box.

'AN EXAMPLE'

The replaced $200 lay crumpled in the drawer when the inspector reached Sparks' desk—Sparks had not had sufficient time to sort and stack the bank notes properly.

Questioned briefly, Sparks broke down and confessed he had borrowed the money and had just replaced it.

In view of the Negro clerk's excellent work record and the fact that restitution had been made, even before there was any knowledge of the missing money, Asst. U.S. Atty. Ray Kinnison recommender to Judge Mathes that no imprisonment, but a stiff fine of $1,500 be imposed on the harried Sparks.

Not so in the eyes of Judge Mathes, however.

"This man must be made an example to thousands of others who might be tempted during the Christmas mail rush season," said the grim lipped Mathes. "They must be impressed that the mails are sacred.

"Therefore, I sentence you, Mr. Sparks, to a year and a day in the federal penitentiary."

825 Boatmen Get New Pact After 3 Months

PITTSBURGH, Dec. 4 (FP).—Contracts covering 825 river boatmen, members of three unions, have been signed here, following a three-month delay.

The Master Mates & Pilots (AFL), with 125 members involved, voted to accept an offer from the U.S. Steel Co. for pay increases of $51.44 to $85.73 per month. The U.S. Steel settlement was expected to set a pattern for other major river barge operators, including Jones & Laughlin Steel Corp., Wheeling Steel, Hillman Transportation and Pittsburgh Consolidation Coal.

Business agent William Trussa of the National Maritime Union said his union had also reached a tentative settlement with U.S. Steel but withheld details until the contract has been ratified by the 600 NMU members here.

Also involved in the dispute was the Marine Engineers Beneficial Association (CIO), representing 100 members here. MEBA business agent B. A. Trautzetter said he too is submitting a tentative settlement to his membership for ratification.

The Master Mates & Pilots settlement leaves the basic work cycle at 10 days on boat and five days off. Harbor Agent B. A. Griffith said that 10½ percent of MMP wage increase will be retroactive to March 1, 2 percent to July 27 and the rest subject to WSB approval.

MOVE OFFICES

American Women for Peace announced yesterday that it had moved its national offices from 257 Seventh Ave., to 125 W. 72 St., where it will continue its many-sided activities for peace.

Banquet Honors Detroit '8'

DETROIT. — Recently 250 Michiganders, Negro and white, Communists and non-Communists, attended a magnificent banquet in honor of Michigan's eight Smith Act defendants, applauding enthusiastically for Carl and Helen Winter, Saul Wellman, Nat Ganley, Tom Dennis, Phil Schatz, Bill Albertson, Billy Allen and their families.

They gave $1,200 and pledged $2,800 toward the $40,000 fund drive to defend the six bacing trial in Michigan, Albertson now on trial in Pittsburgh and to win amnesty for Carl Winter and the eight other leading Communists already serving 5-year jail sentences.

Rev. Charles A. Allen said he was happy to see so many not frightened by the threats because "you can't build a better world by running into a shell." Bill Albertson recounted preliminary victories won in Pittsburgh explaining: "Take the offensive to the enemy and victory is possible." Nat Ganley charged that the real conspirators are those who plot to ruin America and the world for their own profit. Tom Dennis traced the history of infamous Supreme Court decisions and showed where Smith Act persecutions can lead unless the people stop them. Greetings came from representatives of the Labor Youth League, Michigan Committee for Protection of Foreign Born, spokesman for progressive Jewish women and Smith Act defendants in other cities. The banquet, sponsored by the Civil Rights Congress, was chaired by Bob Travis, a founder of the UAW. Ann Shore of CRC announced a goal of $10,000 by Christmas.

City Upholds Bias Firing of Negro Fireman

OAKLAND, Cal., Dec. 4 (FP). —The Oakland Civil Service Commission, hearing the appeal of Ernest Allen, a Negro fireman suspended after he applied for transfer to a station nearer his home, ruled 2 to 1 that:

1 — The Fire Department has conceded it has an "unwritten but applied policy" to segregate Negro firemen.

2—But Allen made a "false and malicious statement" when he said so and his 10-day suspension without pay was therefore upheld.

What's On?

Tonight Manhattan

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SYMPOSIUM—"Modern Art and The People. Sunday, Dec. 7th at 7:30 p.m. Speakers: Elmer Bendiner—Reports on Interview with Candido Portinari and Robert Gwathmey, Charles White and Jack Levine. Hotel Albert, 42 E. 11th St. Donation $1. Sponsored by Latin-American Research Bureau.

"JAZZ" is the subject of a forum to be held on Sunday afternoon, Dec. 7th, 3:30 p.m. at the Frederick Douglass Educational Center. Abner W. Berry and Sidney Finkelstein are the speakers. Hope Foye will chair the discussion. Blues, Spirituals, Gospel Songs, Be Bop and all kinds of jazz recordings will be played. At 124 West 124 St. (nr. Lenox) Cont. $1.

SUNDAY FORUM presents "Problems in the Fight Against Male Supremacy" with speakers: Doxey A. Wilkerson and Dorothy Harrison on Sunday, Dec. 7 at 8:15 p.m. Refreshments. Contr.: $1.00 (50c for students) at Jefferson School of Social Science, 575 Sixth Ave. (cor 16th St.)

MRS. CHARLOTTA BASS speaks on "Germany and the Fight for Peace," at Yugoslav Hall, Sunday 7 p.m., Dec. 7th. Tickets at door $1.25; in advance $1 from the German American, 130 E. 16 St., New York City ORegon 4-4476.

Sunday Bronx

UNUSUAL FILM, "The Quiet One" at American Labor Party 3rd A. D. Hdqts., 154 West Tremont, Room 204, 8:30 p.m. plus selected shorts. Refreshments. Contribution 75c.

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We are forced to use the entire first page to bring our financial plight to our readers because we face the serious danger of not appearing at all.

We have warned that we must receive at least $6,000 a week in our current fund campaign through December if we are to keep going. Last week, we received only $3,600. For the first four days of this week, only $1,700 has come in.

We are now at the end of all resources. Our printer's bill has piled up, and he cannot go on without payment.

We considered cutting the paper to four pages. But the presses in the print shop cannot print that small a paper. So we are forced to stay at eight pages at an expense that we simply cannot meet.

Some readers take publication of the paper for granted. We have appeared regularly for nearly 29 years, so they think we will continue automatically. We have done so, however, only because our readers have always come to our support.

Many of our readers have come through splendidly. They have contributed, some of them several times, even though it has meant heavy sacrifice. But most readers have not taken part in this campaign.

They have been contributing to other fund drives for progressive causes. We are happy that they do so. But this in no way helps meet the needs of the Daily Worker.

THE ONLY RESOURCES WE HAVE FOR CONTINUING TO PUBLISH ARE THE CONTRIBUTIONS SENT OR BROUGHT TO US DIRECTLY FROM OUR READERS IN THIS $50,000 CAMPAIGN. WE MUST RECEIVE AT LEAST $5,000 IN THE NEXT FEW DAYS IF WE ARE TO BE ABLE TO CONTINUE AND $10,000 BY THE END OF NEXT WEEK.

We ask that every reader—and we mean every reader—immediately send from five to ten dollars to: P.O. Box 136, Cooper Station, New York City; or bring it to 35 E. 12th St., 8th floor.

Newspaper Conspiracy Suppresses Rosenberg Witness' Perjury

By MILTON HOWARD

For the past 48 hours, the newspapers of New York have kept from their readers, and from the country as a whole, the key fact that the FBI's political police were forced to admit that one of their key witnesses in the Rosenberg case had perjured himself with the knowledge and collusion of the FBI itself.

All newspapers and press services had this information from the official records. The Daily Worker alone published it.

On Dec. 2, FBI agent John Harrington was forced by the Rosenberg defense to admit in an affidavit submitted to Judge Sylvester Ryan that he had secretly taken key witness, passport photographer Ben Schneider into the courtrom to identify Julius Rosenberg before Schneider was officially called to the witness stand.

On the witness stand, this FBI witness had then falsely testified that this was the first time he had seen Julius Rosenberg since he allegedly photographed him several months before.

The defense charges that the prosecution knew that the FBI's wtness was falsely testifying. It notes that FBI agent Harrington was sitting in the courtroom while the man he had secretly brought to identify Rosenberg the previous day was giving this false testimony.

KNEW ALL DETAILS

The newspapers of New York City knew all the details of this admitted falsehood. In their reports of the defense petition for a stay of execution, the press deceived its readers into believing that the defense had admitted that the Rosenbergs "stole" top "classfied information" but that this information was not important "to the Soviet Union." In actual fact, there was not a single word of such admission in the defense petition. The press had taken word for word the distortion inserted into his counter-petition by U. S. Attoreny Myles Lane.

This proves that the press which covered the Dec. 2 hearings for a stay of execution knew of the perjured testimony by the FBI's witness and the FBI's role in it. But to this moment, not a single metropolitan paper except the Daily Worker has provided this on-the-record fact to the public.

WORLD PROTESTS

From all parts of the world protests are arriving as the day of the planned execution of the Rosenbergs during the week of January 12 draws near.

Legal experts point out there is not a single item of tangible evidence linking the Rosenbergs to any kind of espionage whatsoever. The sole "evidence" consists of the unsupported word of one man, David Greenglass, who was himself seized by the FBI and apparently threatened with dire results if he did not "play ball."

In its petition for a new trial, the defense documents the enormous propaganda against the defendants and the manufacture of an artificial hysteria about a non-existent "atomic secret." It also notes that the FBI and the prosecution gave statements to the press which condemned the framed Rosenbergs in advance as "spies" for a "Soviet ring", but that none of this was cited in the indictment or could be proved in the trial.

Telegram and letters to President Truman are coming from all parts of the world urging clemency so that if and when the truth about this case comes out the victims will not have been killed before their vindication.

ASK NEWSPAPERS TO RUN PAID ADS

The National Committee to Secure Justice in the Rosenberg Case addressed a telegram today to the major metropolitan newspapers—the Times, Herald Tribune, Daily News, World-Telegram, and Post—requesting paid space to place the plea for clemency for the Rosenbergs before the people of the City of New York.

The text of the telegram follows:

"Our Committee is prepared to place in your newspaper a full-page paid advertisement seeking clemency for Ethel and Julius Rosenberg subject to your rates and any legal restriction on text. We request your immediate response to this request."

Why Pentagon Decided to Abolish Word 'Casualties'

With the rejection of the proposed cease-fire in Korea the Pentagon moved this week to adopt a new method of reporting to the American people on the steadily mounting lists of killed, wounded and missing. The new system was devised for the purpose of minimizing and playing down the shocking human costs of the Wall Street's adventure which has already aroused widespread opposition and protest.

The Pentagon action is obviously an attempt to prepare for still increasing casualties as intervention against the Korean people continues.

The Defense Department inagurated its new method of Wednesday when it made its weekly report. Although it admitted that the U. S. has to date sustained losses of 20,004 killed in action, 94,387 wounded, and 13,012 missing, the report omitted mentioning the total—127,383. It revealed that henceforth totals of killed, wounded and missing, would not be issued.

Furthermore, the Pentagon said, it had decided to eliminate the word "casualties" from its vocabulary and from its official releases on Korea.

But wire services and newspapers, unable to find another word to fit the grim facts, continued to list the killed, wounded and missing as casualties.

The newspapers were not only franker but more correct than the Defense Department. Funk and Wagnalls College Dictionary defines casualty as "a soldier missing in action or removed from active duty by death, wounds, or capture."

The Defense Department statement, however, acknowledged that its reason for dropping the word "casualties" and abolishing the practice of weekly totals was the impact these weekly listings have had on the American people.

The press officers of the department have admittedly been trying to make a hated war less unpopular by searching for a synonym for casualties which would not carry the grim horror associated with this word.

The search for a more "pleasing" word to sugarcoat the bitter pill of Korean casualties began during the election campaign, the Pentagon said, when the Eisenhower campaign managers seized on the mounting casualty list as a big issue to win anti-Truman votes. It was decided, however, that the word "casualties" would be retained until after Nov. 4.

Many Areas in US Hail Dec. 12 Peace Congress

Individuals and organizations in California, Connecticut, Utah, Iowa and many other states are sending their greetings to the Congress of the Peoples for Peace, opening Dec. 12 in Vienna, the office of the U. S. Sponsoring Committee of the Congress announced yesterday.

"Like all the peoples of the world, the men and women of Utah fervently desire peace," the League for Common Sense of Salt Lake City states in its greetings. "Among many," it adds, "there is confusion and misunderstanding, doubt and fear, but the need we feel for harmony among nations and peace on this earth transcends differences and and doubt."

A state Youth Leader in the Iowa Farmers Union writes that she is putting every effort into the fight for world peace.

From Sonoma, Calif., comes the message: "Victory is sure for all the people. We meet together from everywhere, in brotherhod, all people of good-will, to bring peace on earth. No one shall profit from war."

Fund-raising parties are being held by church and peace groups.

Send your contributions for the Daily Worker fund drive to P. O. Box 136, Cooper Station, New York.

Feinberg Law Action Begun Against CP

By HARRY RAYMOND

A hearing, started yesterday before the State Board of Regents to determine whether the Communist Party is a "subversive" organization under provisions of the Feinberg Law, was condemned by Simon W. Gerson, is state legislative chairman of the CP, as a "thought control" action, a "modern inquisition destructive of academic freedom." Gerson addressed the three-member panel of Regents in the hearing chamber, Room 116, County Courthouse, in Foley Square.

Representing the CP as counsel was John Abt, who said that the Regents were granting the party the "form of justice" while denying the "substance of justice." George Blake Charney, Communist Party state labor secretary, assisted Abt at the counsel table.

Welles V. Moot is hearing panel chairman.

Bruce Bromley, special counsel of the Regents board, said he would call Louis F. Budenz, professional anti-labor informer, as the first witness when the hearing resumes at 10 a.m. today.

Chairman Moot stated that following today's session the proceedings would adjourn till after the Christmas holidays.

Bromley took up most of yester-

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Steve Nelson Thrown in 'Hole'; Life Periled; Bail Drive Urged

By ART SHIELDS

PITTSBURGH, Dec. 4.—Steve Nelson was transferred today from the prison in Pittsburgh to the medieval County Workhouse at Blawnox, Pa., where he was flung into the dungeon hole at once by order of Judge Harry M. Montgomery, who had sentenced him to 20 years on a state "sedition" frameup.

"This place is a living death. We must work harder than ever to get Steve out on bail," declared his wife Margaret Nelson, upon learning of the transfer.

Nelson was thrown into the dark chilly "hole" at Blawnox at once without explanatioin early today. He was given nothing to eat all day.

"I am very cold," Nelson told Ralph Powe, Negro attorney, who rushed to the prison as soon as he heard of the transfer. Nelson has nothing to wear except filthy pants, a shirt and a pair of slippers without socks.

There is no furniture on the cement floor of the "hole." There is no bed. A plank will be put in at night for Nelson to sleep on. Nelson's infected ear, which pains him greatly is untreated except with paper wadding.

"I was thrown into the 'hole' for political reasons," said Nelson.

Nelson's attorney is only permitted to see him for half an hour. This hampers greatly preparations of the defense for the coming Smith Act though control trial in Pittsburgh.

["Nationwide protests must meet the announcement that Steve Nelson has been returned to the Blawnox workhouse," William L. Patterson, head of the Civil Rights Congress, declared upon hearing of the action. "Steve Nelson's life is in danger in that terrible prison. Protests should be addressed to Gov. John S. Fine, State Capitol, Harrisburg, Pa.; to Judge Montgomery, and to the warden at the County Workhouse, Blawnox, Pa."]

Before his transfer to the workhouse Nelson had asked his friends to speed the drive to free him on bail, while he appeals his barbarous 20-year sentence on frameup charges of "sedition." He has already spent 160 days in prison without the right to liberty under bonds, pending appeal.

Steve greeted his visitors warmly. And the old Steve Nelson fighting spirit is still there. But his health has suffered in prison. He has been troubled for some time by an acute ear ache, which is affecting his hearing. And he is sallow and physically run down.

Steve urged his friends to use the time gained by the postponement of the Federal Smith Act trial until after the New Year to speed the campaign against the frameup system.

"The delay is a victory for the defense if we use the time to expose the Smith Act and State 'Sedition' Act frameups before the working people," he said. "These laws are not just directed against Communists. They are aimed at the whole workingclass and against every believer in peace."

"We dare not take it easy in the time that will elapse before the trial resumes," added Nelson. "If we do, the frameup gang will gain by the delay. We must remember that every blow against the Smith Act and 'Sedition' Act frameups is part of the struggle for peace. The big war trusts of Pittsburgh and Wall Street can't put America into war unless they destroy civil liberties at home."

"In this period we must not only fight for bail for myself," Nelson continued. "We must fight for a change of venue from Pittsburgh for all the Smith Act defendants—Ben Careathers, William Albertson, Irving Weissman and Jim Dolsen of the Daily Worker.

"The first weeks of our trial showed that it is impossible to get a fair jury from the hand-picked jury panels here."

DEMONSTRATION AT BONN DELAYS REARMAMENT VOTE

BONN, Dec. 4.—Hundreds of Germans demonstrated today before the Federal Chancellery here against rearmament, and forced Chancellor Konrad Adenauer to postpone the final vote on the question till the middle of January. Earlier, Adenauer had insisted that the Bundestag, or lower house, go today through the third, and final, reading of the bill ratifying the Washington-dictated anti-Soviet treaty under which west Germany is to be rearmed.

Women took a large part in today's demonstration, it was reported.

Police used high pressure hose against the demonstrators.

Churchill Sets Arms Cutback

LONDON, Dec. 4.—Prime Minister Churchill told the House of Commons today Britain's shaky economic position means a sharp cutback in the 1950 armaments production program, including cancellation or reduction of some military orders already placed.

The Prime Minister's announcement meant Britain's arms production for 1953 will be the same as that for 1952. But Churchill vowed to continue sending British imperialist troops and arms to Korea, Malaya and Africa against the people's liberation forces.

Racket-Run Hiring System Defended by Dock Companies

By MICHAEL SINGER

Shipping companies yesterday defended their 'shape-up' system of hiring, which is controlled by waterfront racketeers, to whom they admitted making huge payments. Testimony before the State Crime Commission probe, in its second day of a scheduled six-week hearing, gave further details of large sums paid off to the mobsters who dominate the International Longshoremen's Association under Joseph P. Ryan.

Employer witnesses like Andrew D. Warwick, president of the big stevedoring firm, T. Hogan & Sons, made it clear that the companies prefer pay-offs to ILA dictators, from Ryan on down, as well as the pilferage of goods from the docks, to the existence of a democratic, Ryan-free union.

Employers also tried to picture themselves as the innocent victims of their own bought and paid for thugs. This position got an assist from Crime Commission Joseph M. Prokhauer. Just as the Dewey-appointed Proskauer moved swifty during earlier hearings to head off revelations about the linking of Federal Judge Murphy and State Supreme Court Judge Irving Saypol to underworld bosses, so yesterday Proskauer cooperated with employer attempts to glorify the hated shape-up.

NEW DISCLOSURES

Yesterday's testimony brought new disclosures of pay-offs by companies to ILA "officials," starting with Ryan. Some 40 rank and file dockers were in the small courtroom to hear the revelations.

• Paul W. Sottnek, president of Jules S. Sottnek Co., Inc., stevedore firm, admitted paying $278,973 in cash over a five-year period to ILA officials, shipping agents, etc., etc., for "good will" and "normal operation." The vouchers for these payments from 1947 to Aug. 26, 1952, he said, have disappeared.

• Michael Castellana, vice-president of Sottnek, testified in addition that he had "loaned" $11,000 to Mike Clemente, strong-arm goon leader for Ryan and Local 856 business agent, for his daughter's wedding in 1951, that much of this had been "borrowed" from the company and that not a penny had been paid back.

Other ILA officials and gangsters who got "gratuities" from Castellana, from $250 and up annually, were Gus Scannavino, ILA "organizer"; Albert and Jerry Anastasia, Brooklyn waterfront mobsters, and Frank Russo, Local 237 chieftain.

BREAKDOWN

• A breakdown was supplied of the "known payments" of $58,585 to ILA officials from 1947 to 1951 by the Jarka Stevedore Co., which does a $25,000,000 annual business. Of these, $500 went to Czar Joe Ryan; $8,000 to Edward Florio, ILA organizer, and John Moody, Local 306 delegate; $5,150 to Jeremiah Hickey, Local 1258 delegate; $6,000 to Patrick Ferrone, secretary, Local 1478-2; $2,450 to John J. (Gene) Sampson, business agent, Local 791, and to James J. (Jay) O'Connor, also Local 791 business agent; $2,500 to Joseph (Joe the Gent) Ciantomasi, former business agent, Local 1235; and James Walker, business agent, Local 1233; and $600 to Constantino (Gus) Scannavino, ILA organizer. There were 23 persons listed for specific payoffs, plus "unidentified" ILA officials who got an adder $16,635.

• A letter dated June 11, 1952, to the Crime Commission from T. Hogan & Sons revealed a total payoff of $1,100 from 1949 to 1951 to eight top ILA officials, including Ryan, Sampson and Alex DiBrizzi, vice-president of the Atlantic Coast District and business agent of Local 920.

• Vincent Carpenter, secretary-treasurer and half-owner of the Davies Transportation Committee, admited payments to ILA official Mike Clemente after commission counsel Kiendl introduced wiretapped phone conversations obtained by DA Frank Hogan's office.

$100 PER BOAT

Carpenter told of signing a contract with the Quebec Paper Sales & Transportation Co. to handle newsprint, particularly on Pier 40 on the East River. He said that a Mr. Palmer of the Quebec Co. said to add $100 per boat for ILA officials.

Thomas May, a big wheel in the Ryan machine, turned up at the pier, he testified and announced he was to get $40 out of each 100, with $60 for Clemente.

In 1950-51, it was testified, $7,080 was paid to Clemente plus $500 in October, 1951, "for not having trouble during the wildcat strikes."

It was learned Hogan had already prepared an indictment against May. Action against Clemente was also expected.

• Thomas Maher, stevedore superintendent for a Grace Steamship Line subsidiary, Huron Stevedoring Corp., told how Grace Lines permitted payments to "phantom" workers who never showed up. These were, in fact, musclemen to keep down ILA rank and file militants.

Under the shape-up system, dock workers line up daily, and are hired at the whim of the hiring boss. This East Coast system has long been fought by the ILA rank and file because it places them at the mercy of a minister partnership of employer and waterfront goons, who exact payment for the privilege of working.

Warwick defended the shape-up, however, when Theodore Kiendl, special counsel to the Crime Commission, first broached it yesterday. After admitting company payoffs to shipping agents and ILA bosses, Warwick described the shape-up as follows:

"The men in front of the piers represent men seeking jobs, fill-ins and usually those who are looking for work as extras. Contrary to a good many opinions the shape-up is not a system where men come out every morning and walk away from the piers with disgusted faces."

He then went on to compare favorably the Ryan-controlled shape-up with the West Coast dockers' democratic union hiring hall.

"I believe," Warwick claimed, "the shape-up is the best system to be employed here. I don't consider it perfect but neither the union nor the employers have ever expressed the desire to change the shape-up."

First Warwick claimed East Coast dockers earned $80 to $90 a week, but then he testified that of 41,100 longshoremen registered Dec. 30, 1941, in New York, 14,000 earned each year only $100

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Nehru's Cops Teargas Rally In Kashmir

NEW DELHI, India, Dec. 4.—Use of tear gas by police of the Nehur government against a passive resistance rally in Kashmir was denounced today in Parliament. One motion, made by the United Democratic Front, calling for adjournment of Parliament because of the "seriously deteriorating" situation in Kashmir, assailed the repressive measures being taken against innocent people.

Premier Jawaharlal Nehru admitted in the debate that he was rushing police reinforcement to Jammu to fight a civil disobedience campaign.

Reuther Elected President of CIO

By GEORGE MORRIS

ATLANTIC CITY, Dec. 4.—Walter Reuther, president of the United Automobile Workers, was today elected president of the CIO on a rollcall vote of 3,079,181 to 2,613,101 votes for Allan Haywood.

REUTHER

After filling the post left vacant by the death of Philip Murray, the convention unanimously reelected Haywood vice-president. Before the balloting, the convention made some revisions in the constitution designed to "appease" Haywood and his backers. The office of executive vice-president was given permanent status with defined duties and authority presumably greater than it carried. The three top officers and eight vice-presidents are required to meet bimonthly and the general executive board upon which each affiliate has a member, must meet quarterly instead of semi-annually as it did.

The constitutional changes, under which Haywood forces feel they can retain hundreds of present staffmen on their jobs, and the fact that Haywood supporters will have a substantial majority on the board, is presumably designed to curb Reuther in the eyes of his opponents.

The executive board will reflect the fact that of the CIO's 35 affiliate, 21 voted for Haywood, 11 for Reuther and the delegations of three were split.

The majority of 466,081 voted by which Reuther won is accounted for almost entirely by the votes cast by the United Rubber Workers, a union originally for Haywood that switched at the last minute.

While the great bulk of Reuther's vote came from six unions, Haywood was supported by 119 of the delegates from the local industrial unions to only 12 for Reuther. With few exceptions, the nearly 200 city and county industrial union councils cast their vote for Haywood as did all but seven of the State CIO organiations.

The principals in the split within the CIO's top family were quick to exchange mutual pledges of support and unity. But there was a noticeable uneasiness.

Earlier the convention heard an appeal that the United Mine Workers be asked to come back to the CIO. The proposal, in the form of an amendment to the resolution passed authorizing renewed unity negotiations with the AFL, was advanced by Anthony Federoff, president of the government workers. It was ruled out of order on a technicality.

CIO leaders poured cold water on the outlook for unification with the AFL.

"Frankly," said Emil Rieve, "let me tell you there is no basis for unity as proposed by the AFL, all public statements to the contrary."

Haywood said he views the process towards unity must begin by joint activity on issues affection labor with unification into one organization only an ultimate possibility.

The convention adjourned after a speech by Reuther pledging to carry on the program of Philip Murray.

Venezuela General Strike Is Reported

Reports reaching countries bordering on Venezuela said a general strike appeased to be under way in that country as a result of Col. Marcos Perez Jimenez assuming full dictatorial powers.

In Caracas, Venezuela, the dictatorship of Perez Jimenez admitted that labor and other protest actions had broken out in the country. The dictatorship threatened terror to suppress them.

Caracas newspapermen have been on strike since Tuesday, (when Perez Jimenez assumed full dictatorial powers) and some commercial establishments are closed because their staffs walked out, the Ministry of Interior admitted.

Interior Minister Laureano Vallenilla Lanz admitted student protests at two Caracas schools and and an assault on police headquarters at San Francisco, Yaracuy state, both Wednesday.

4,000 BOSSES AND A RIGHT SHOE

By BERNARD BURTON

It could be that I'm too sensitive but I was sure everybody stared at my right shoe yesterday. I had meant to get a new lace for it Wednesday but things piled up and before I got around to it, it was too late.

So here I was in the Waldorf Astoria wearing a right shoe that had broken laces. At a convention of the National Association of Manufacturers no less where I'm sure nobody came across a broken shoe lace until I dropped in.

I just know that shoe lace caught everybody's eye from beginning to end. Let me go back to the beginning and you'll see what I mean.

First there was the fellow with the little red and white badge who rode up to the third floor on the elevator with me. He looked like any number of bosses I had ever met. Bald head with white fringe, a collar partly submerged under a chin and a vest that bulged out over neatly pressed trousers. The badge said NAM Convention and it gave the name of somebody from some corporation. I didn't get close enough to catch all of it.

PUZZLED LOOK

Anyway I felt him take a quizzical look at me when I asked the elevator operator: "Where's the NAM convention?"

I turned around and looked back. And sure enough he quickly looked down and in a flash he had an expression that seemed to be saying: "Humph!" So I looked down to see what he seemed so satisfied about. My right shoe! The broken shoe lace!

Anyway I got out of that when I got off the elevator. Next was the receptionist in the press room. A very trim, sprite looking young lady.

Efficient, too, because it was a real efficient smile, the kind that's meant for everybody and nobody. "What paper are you from?" she asked.

I guess I ddin't speak clearly enough because I had to repeat it since all she said was "What?" after the first time I said "Daily Worker." But anyway, she quickly type out press credentials. And smiled too, efficently.

Then, still smiling, ishe also stared down—at my right shoe! This stare seemed to say, "I thought so."

But I had my press cerdentials and like other reporters, I wore the card next to my lapel, as big as life. And as big as life the badge had on it, typed in capital letters: BERNARD BURTON, DAILY WORKER.

The next thing I was down in the convention hall and there were just hundreds of persons with red and white badges on which were the names of somebody from some corporation.

And that's where I really became painfully aware of my right shoe. It just seemed like everybody I bumped into (nearly all of them with puffed-out vests) would smile as they saw the big dark printed letters PRESS on my badge.

At first I thought they stopped smiling because they spied the

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Canadian LPP Pays Tribute to Robert Minor

The national executive committee of the Canadian Labor-Progressive Party sent the following telegram, signed by Tim Buck, to William Z. Foster, national chairman of the Communist Party:

"Please accept for your party and Lydia Gibson our deep sympathy at the death of Bob Minor in our common struggle for peace, democracy and socialism. We will remember his courage and devotion throughout the long years to the cause of human freedom."

LINCOLN VETS TRIBUTE

Robert Minor's aid to the Abraham Lincoln Brigade when he visited Spain during the defense of the Spanish Republic against Franco is recalled in a statement mourning Minor's death, issued by the Veterans of the Abraham Lincoln Brigade.

"All of us in the Brigade," says the statement, "remember with respect and affection the tireless, energetic man with the booming voice and complete confidence in ultimate victory. He helped give us the understanding that the fight in Spain was a fight to save the peace and that we only suffered a temporary retreat from Spain. By his example he aided us in the years that followed in the continuing fight against fascism.

"We lower our proud banners in his honor—and pledge that the heritage of struggle against injustice, oppression, fascism and war will be carried forward to victory by those he leaves behind.

"We salute our fallen comrade, Robert Minor, proud that in his last days we were joined together in an active campaign for the freedom of Steve Nelson and all of those other veterans of the war against Franco who are being persecuted for their anti-fascist, anti-war beliefs by the American government."

RECALL MOONEY FIGHT

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 4.—The California state committee of the Communist Party paid tribute Saturday to Robert Minor, veteran Communist leader who died last week at the age of 68.

In a wire to the party's national office, signed by Communist State Chairman William Schneiderman, the California Communists recalled particularly Minor's role in the movement to free Tom Mooney.

The wire said, in part:

"The death of Bob Minor marks the loss of one of the great figures of the American working class movement as a fighter, artist and leader. West Coast labor will never forget the role he played in organizing the Tom Mooney defense campaign which became a world-wide movement culminating in victory."

Seattle Council Votes Curb on Use of Civic Hall

SEATTLE, Dec. 4.—The Seattle City Council has voted to give city officials the power to ban members of subversive organizations from using the local civil auditorium. The council overrode a veto by Mayor Allan Pomeroy by a vote of 8 to 1.

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Of Things to Come

by John Pittman

Vienna Conference And the UN's Default

THE VIENNA CONGRESS opening Dec. 12 now holds the top place in the peace hopes of the world. It occupies this place by default of the United Nations.

Last Monday, Dec. 1, the UN Political Committee adopted (53-5 and 1 abstension) the Washington - amended - and - backed Indian resolution on war prisoner exchange. It rejected (46-5 and 8 abstentions) the Chinese - Korean-supported Soviet amendment for an immediate cease-fire in Korea, to be followed by POW repatriation according to 1949 Geneva Convention.

On Tuesday morning, Dec. 2, the same committee rejected (41-5 and 12 abstentions) the Chinese - Korean-suported resolution, which embodied the same proposals as in the Soviet amendments to the Indian resolution.

Yesterday, Dec. 4, the General Assembly ratified these actions of its First Committee.

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THE UN'S DEFAULT on its obligations to end the war in Korea in accordance with the principles of its Charter had an instant reaction. Syngman Rhee greeted the news of the committee's adoption of the Indian resolution with a demand for an immediate military offensive in North Korea. A Washington spokesman interpreted the Indian resolution as endorsing the U.S. position on so-called "non-forcible repatriation."

And this latter reaction indicated Washington will continue to use force against Korean and Chinese POWs and to use the stall of the prisoner exchange issue to block an armistice.

Hence, these reactions confirmed the arguments of Vishinsky, Poland's Skresezewski and Czechoslovakia's Sekaninova that the Indian resolution—

- Fails to promote or call for a cessation of hostilities;
- Embodies the Washington position on prisoner exchange;
- Hence, objectively, it will not only fail to solve the problem of war prisoner exchange, but will act to continue the killing in Korea.

Moreover, the motives of Nehru and his personal representative Krishna Menon were put into question by India's insistence on rejecting the Soviet Amendments and pressing for its own resolution AFTER receipt in UN headquarters of—

- Chinese Foreign Minister Chou En-lai's "full" endorsement (11-28-52) of the Soviet resolution;
- Korean Foreign Minister Pak Hen En's endorsement (11-28-52) of the Soviet resolution as "the most equitable one and as being directed towards the speediest possible cessation of hostilities in Korea and the peacful settlement of the Korean question."

Needless to say, the peoples of Asia and the Middle East can draw from this conspicuous fact no other conclusion than that Nehru and Menon were quick to make concessions to Washington and London, but flatly refused to concede one iota to the position of Moscow, Peking and Pyongyang.

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THIS ALSO CONFIRMS the Chinese-Korean view that Washington deliberately scuttled the Panmunjom talks in order to confront the United Nations with an accomplished fact and move to continue and expand the war. This was Acheson's intention, as couched in the so-called 21-Power Resolution. It was an intention which would not have gained support even from Britain. Hence, Nehru acted to save Washington from a defeat, and provided a program which substantially matches that of Acheson.

Thus, the view is confirmed of the great Oct. 2-13 Peace Conference of the Asian and Pacific Regions, that the UN has "not only violated the principles of its Charter and failed in its duty" to save mankind from the scourge of war; but "it is in the name of the United Nations itself that the war is conducted in Korea" and will now be continued.

And it now becomes evident that what their governments in the UN have refused to achieve, the peoples themselves must achieve in their own self-interest. The achievement of peace now in Korea—that is the primary necessity. And for this end, the Vienna Congress of the Peoples for Peace will no doubt offer a concrete program.

Jerome Davis SaysPeace Fight Begins in Unions

By ELLEN KEELER

BERKELEY, Dec. 4.—Dr. Jerome Davis, author, educator and world traveler, told some 200 people at the Epworth Methodist Church Tuesday night, "The fight for peace must begin in the trade unions, among the workers and trade union leaders."

Davis criticized U. S. investors who seek to force another war on the people. Contradicting those who clamor the "threat of communism," he said: "The greatest threat in the world today is poverty, unemployment, fear, inequality and illiteracy."

Davis declared: "The people of Asia and South Africa must have the right to self-determination."

He pointed out the U.S. is backing reactionary forces throughout the world. Peace, he said, cannot be won by intervention. "We tried it in 1918 in Russia and it failed. It will fail again."

Davis called for trade with all countries, including the Soviet Union and China. He chided the U. S. on its policy of denying passports to ministers.

He quoted Gen. Dwight Eisenhower when he said in 1946, "The Russians will run away from nobody."

Dr. Davis concluded: "War is against the teachings of Jesus Christ. . . . Because I love America I want America to take the leadership in building for peace."

The Fight for Cloture, FEPC

(Concluding Article on Post-Election Struggles)

WHEN THE newly-elected 83rd Congress convenes Jan. 3 labor the people will face a many-sided battle against the reactionary Taft-Eisenhower legislative program and for a people's program of peace, prosperity and democratic rights. How this battle shapes up and the success it achieves will be in considerable measure determined by what is done to mobilize the people's forces during the few short weeks before the session begins.

This is particularly true with regard to the fight for cloture and a federally-enforced FEPC (fair employment practices law), key element in the whole struggle for civil rights and Negro rights on the legislative front. **For the question of cloture is scheduled to come up for action in the Senate on the very first day it meets, Jan. 3.** While not final, this opening-day struggle will vitally affect the fate of all civil rights legislation in the new Congress. More it can greatly influence the entire course of events in the new political situation arising from the Eisenhower election.

The situation, briefly, is that under present Senate rules it is very difficult indeed to prevent the Dixiecrats and their GOP allies from filibustering to death genuine civil rights proposals. Rule 22, the so-called cloture rule, at present provides that in order to invoke cloture (that is, limit debate and thus bring a filibuster to an end), an affirmative vote of two-thirds of all the elected members of the Senate is required.

This particular rule, product of a bi-partisan conspiracy against civil rights led by the late Sen. Wherry, in effect, gives veto power over legislation to a Senate minority of a third (or less, since there are generally a number of absentees). Thus, the filibuster, as in past Congresses, remains a major roadblock in the way of FEPC, anti-Poll Tax, anti-Lynch and other such measures.

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THE POINT about opening day is that it is then that the Senate acts to adopt its own rules. This, provides a unique opportunity to move to replace Rule 22 with a democratic provision that will make possible the invoking of cloture (stopping of filibusters) by a simple majority vote of the Senators present. What is required then is a motion to adopt the rules, save for amending Rule 22.

The filibusterers will object to this motion on a point of order. The chair on opening day, it will still be Vice-President Barkley—will have to rule as to whether the motion is in order. His ruling itself is not debatable and therefore can not be filibustered so a vote will be had. If his ruling is sustained, the amended rules will then be before the body for action.

Correspondingly, if Barkley rules against the motion, his ruling will be appealed by the anti-filibuster forces. Thus, if the fight is pressed as announced some time ago, a major victory is possible—or, at the very least a very important test-vote which will show the line-up on civil rights in the Senate.

This opening day move has been put forward as part of its full civil rights program by the Leadership Conference on Civil Rights, led by Walter White of the NAACP and comprising some 54 major conservative-led labor, Negro, women's, church, and Jewish organizations—among them the AFL and the CIO. Such an array of united strength can surely achieve victory if it is backed by the mass activity of the millions, Negro and white, who belong to these organizations.

UNFORTUNATELY with less than a month to go, there are few if any signs of effective mobilization in any quarters at this moment. True, the activity in relation to cloture and FEPC, reflecting the tremendous upsurge of struggle among the Negro people, reached a very high point during the period before and after the major party national conventions, and was for weeks a headline issue. But in the closing phase of the campaign, this issue was not sufficiently in the forefront. And, now, since Nov. 4, valuable weeks have passed without the necessary activity by all the forces who seek victory in this struggle.

Where this lag may be due to post-election "theories" that the new Congress is reactionary (which it is) and that therefore nothing can be done, that we must wait and see what Eisenhower will do etc.,—such paralyzing and defeatist "theories" need to be quickly counteracted.

Especially on the question of cloture and FEPC is victory possble. The demands of the Negro people and their white allies were so insistent that the Democratic platform and Stevenson, himself, were compelled to make some commitments on this issue.

As for the Republicans, while their national platform and candidate arrogantly rejected the demands, it is obvious that most of the Republican senators from the main-industrial areas are distinctly subject to pressure on this question. This is true of New York, Pennsylvania, Michigan, Ohio, Illinois, New Jersey, California, as well as Connecticut, New England and a number of other states.

A majority of the Senate can be induced to support the cloture fight. The fight can be won and be a prelude to greater victories. But a number of elementary steps remain to be taken.

FIRST, THEIR is urgent need for a quick, stream-lined mass educational campaign in the labor, Negro, church and general press, on the radio, in leaflets, explaining again and again —What is FEPC? What is cloture? Why is cloture important? What is Rule 22? How will the fight shape up in the Senate on January 3rd? What shall I ask of my senators?

Second, it is to be expected that the program of Walter White and the Leadership Conference on Civil Rights will be reflected in appropriate supporting activities among the local and state affiliates of the AFL CIO, NAACP, church, women's and Jewish organizations which make up the National Conference.

Third, progressive forces, without delay, can undertake parallel activities along such lines as the following: to raise in every local organization the question of resolutions and action in support of the fight for cloture and FEPC, organize visits to their Senators before they leave for the opening session, Jan. 3; to arrange meetings, conferences, etc., on the issue: All these activities will be pointed towards exerting the maximum popular pressure through messages on the eve of the fight.

Fourth, the national struggles should be seen in relation to—and not as an alternative to the very necessary state and local fights for FEPC bills and ordinances. In particular, enforceable state laws should be sought in the many states which have none and strengthening amendments be urged in the few—Connecticut, Massachusetts, New Jersey, New York, Oregon, Rhode Island, Washington—that do.

It is late—but not too late to make the 83rd Congress feel the weight of mass demands for cloture and civil rights legislation. Immediate activity, regardless of the particular outcome of the opening round, will further strengthen the fight for Negro rights, and for progressive victories generally in the coming legislative battles.

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THE WRONG PRISONER

A PRISON VAN RATTLED over the slushy cobblestones of Greenwich Ave. Wednesday carrying to jail one of the greatest of American women.

Her offense was to have refused to betray a principle —a basic principle of labor, of democracy and of the working class—that no matter what the consequences, one does not become an informer against one's comrades.

And as the prison doors clanged shut on Elizabeth Gurley Flynn, 10 contemptible stoolpigeons were enjoying the plush comforts provided by some $75,000 dished out covertly to them by the Justice Department "for services rendered."

The sordid story of secret payoffs to the 10 stoolpigeons was admitted by the Justice Department, thereby establishing that several of them had committed perjury in denying they had received payment for their depraved deeds.

Prison is the place for perjurers.

But prison is not the place for the 13 Smith Act defendants whose freedom is imperilled by the lies of the stoolpigeons.

Nor is prison the place for that magnificent heroine of our times, Elizabeth Gurley Flynn.

We urge that our readers write letters to the Justice Department demanding immediate release of Miss Flynn.

DOCK RACKET AND SHAPE-UP

NO DEODORANT CAN VEIL the stench arising from the waterfront cesspool being uncovered at the Crime Commission hearings. As is usual with such politically motivated hearings, only a corner will be lifted on the rackets which involve shipowners, corrupt union officials and politicians.

But so rotten is the setup that even on the first day of the hearing, revelations of tremendous import, especially to the labor movement of New York, have begun to emerge.

Not the least is the fact that King Joe Ryan, red-baiting lifetime president of the AFL International Longshoremen's Association, has been taking "good-will" payments from the employers. Up to now Ryan has posed as a man "above factions" in the ILA. His goon lieutenants, such as Joe Moriarity, Anthony Anastasia and others, were depended upon for the open dirty work, such as attempts to smash rank-and-file longshore revolts against phony agreements.

The first day's revelations have also brought out that Ryan's "loyal opposition" has also been on the employers' "payment" list. These include such figures as John J. (Gene) Sampson, business agent of Local 791 in Chelsea, and Thomas (Teddy) Gleason, delegate of Checkers Local 1346.

These are the men who have sought to take "leadership" of rank-and-file revolts, whenever they developed, in order to keep them "within bounds," but always winding up by making their peace with Ryan.

All of these officials, from Ryan down, have been able to perform their service for the shipowners only by maintaining the vicious shape-up system of hiring. Kingpin of the shape-up on each pier is the hiring boss, a man chosen after joint agreement between the Ryan machine and the shipowners. Unless a longshoreman pays proper homage to the hiring boss (often in the form of kickbacks) his chance of getting a job is just about nil.

This system has also been used to restrict jobs for Negro workers. When the predominantly Negro Local 968 sought to fight for jobs it came up against the physical terror of the Ryan machine.

The temper of the longshoremen indicates that the rank and file has had just about enough. In the last analysis it is the rank and file which can really clean up the mess, end the shape-up and institute real union democracy.

The West Coast longshoremen, under Harry Bridges, learned this long ago when they kicked Ryan off the West Coast and won the union hiring hall. It is no wonder that members of Bridges' union have won conditions far above those here. But for this Bridges and his co-leaders are being hounded and persecuted by the federal government.

No government agency will do the job of establishing a militant, democratic union. On the contrary, the longshoremen know from experience that they have always found the government agencies on the side of the shipowners and the corrupt union officials in every real battle.

New York's labor movement should come to the support of rank-and-file longshoremen in the fight heading up to establish a democratic union and end the shape-up. All New Yorkers should insist that the investigation follow through on all the ramifications of the racket no matter how high up they go.

Famed Woman Doctor Flays Jailing of Elizabeth Flynn

Dr. Alice Hamilton, the internationally famous pioneer in industrial medicine, yesterday denounced the "contempt" sentencing of Elizabeth Gurley Flynn because, as Dr. Hamilton declared: "she refuses to buy her own freedom at the expense of disaster to others."

Dr. Hamilton condemned the present attempts to make heroes of stoolpigeons. She wrote in a letter to the New York Times:

"Far from despising the informer who gains advantage for himself by betraying those who have trusted him, we now praise him, congratulate him for his 'cooperation'."

Dr. Hamilton hailed Miss Flynn's action as "further proof of her essential nobility."

Dr. Hamilton, who has taught medicine at Northwestern University and Harvard Medical School, was on the League of Nations Health Committee and President Hoover's Committee on Social Trends and has been honored by groups and universities. The text of her letter to the Times follows:

"I have just read with deep distress that Elizabeth Gurley Flynn has been sentenced to jail because she refuses to accuse her friends and associates of being Communists. In other words, she refuses to buy her own freedom at the expense of disaster to others, for she knows what it means to be accused of Communist affiliation. It seems that the law allows her to refuse to give information that would incriminate her, but allows the court to force her to give evidence that would incriminate others.

"Surely we have left far behind the standards we used to accept without question. Far from despising the informer who gains advantage for himself by betraying those who have trusted him, we now praise him, congratulate him for his 'cooperation', and forgive him all the excesses of his past. It is a strange sense of honor we are bequeathing to the younger generation.

"I know, of course, that Miss Flynn is not the first to go to jail rather than turn informer. Her fate moves me especially because I have known her for many years and have followed her career with admiration for her selfless idealism. This last action of hers is further proof of her essential nobility.

"ALICE HAMILTON, M. D."

Hadlyme, Conn., Nov. 22, 1952.

The Oil Monopolies Are Happy Now

By Labor Research Association

THE WORLD OIL MONOPOLIES have been very happy since Nov. 4. They liked Ike and they backed him with funds. The fragmentary reports on campaign contributions reveal the Rockefellers and their families among the largest contributors to the various committees to elect their man. Oil millionaires were among the contributors to the Nixon slush (trust) fund in California.

The rewards have been even more tangible than mere appointments to cabinet posts and ambassadorships, for example, of Winthrop W. Aldrich, brother-in-law of John D. Rockefeller Jr., as Ambassador to Great Britain.

As a result of the Eisenhower victory the oil companies have won their 14-year fight for the rich oil and gas deposits of the coastal or marginal sea, erroneously referred to as the tidelands. These $50 billion or more more of natural resources will be turned over to the states, notably Texas, California, Louisiana, with which, in turn, the oil magnates make profitable deals for the exploitation of this wealth.

This will end all talk of having some of the royalties from this oil go for much-needed federal aid to education, as progressives had proposed.

This hand-out to the oil interests (when embodied in previous bills which he vetoed) was called by President Truman, "robbery in broad daylight—and on a colossal scale." But in the Eisenhower-Aldrich-Dulles economics book it is "free enterprise," meaning free government grants to those who can raise millions for lobbies to pressure legislature into over-ruling the Supreme Court which has declared these off-shore lands the possession of the nation as a whole.

Another major benefit the oil millionaires expect to derive from the new Administration is the delay or possible dismissal of the suit against the companies engaged in the international oil cartel—Standard Oil Co. (New Jersey), Socony-Vacuum Oil Co., Standard Oil Co. of California, Texas Co., and Gulf Oil Corp.

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THE WALL STREET JOURNAL announced cheerfully 10 days after the election that these charges against the leading oil cartellists "won't come to trial for a long time—if ever. Grand Jury hearings haven't even started yet . . . Presiding Judge Kirkland is in no rush: 'I've got 20 years to try this case.'"

Meanwhile, the Wall Street paper says the State Department and the Defense Department are trying to quash th case. Other financial papers have reported the same development, most of them indicating that the proceedings against the oil companies will be dropped or curtailed.

Still others believe they will be settled on what they call a "reasonable basis," that is, on cartel terms.

To cover their tracks the companies are, of course, using the standard witchhunt smears and "national defense" alarms to confuse the public. At the trial preliminaries the oil attorneys attacked the Federal Trade Commission for preparing even its limited and censored report on the world petroleum cartel.

One lawyer for the Arabian-American Oil Co., which has a complete monopoly on all the oil of Saudi-Arabia, declared that the report had "provided ammunition to Russia," and that the investigation "was instituted without regard to the national security of the United States."

Much more of the same may be expected as the Rockefellers, Morgans and Mellons cash in on their campaign contributions.

High Prices Force Worker Onto Relief

TRENTON, N. J. Dec. 4.—(FP) —For the first time in years, relief rolls here include Trentonians who are employed. Welfare Dir. Helen Huggins explained: "The high cost of living accounts for many of the cases receiving some assistance. Families with a number of children are just unable to meet the food bill."

4,000 Bosses

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smaller letters DAILY WORKER as thew got closer. But after two or three such encounters, I just knew it wasn't that.

I perceived that nearly everyone of these gentlemen from some corporation or other would look down after getting within real reading distance of my press card. And I'm positive they all got that same "humph" look after looking down.

I am as sure as anyone can ever be that it was my right shoe with the broken lace. Everybody, everywhere I went on the third and fourth floors of th Waldorf Astoria caught that shoe.

And I think that's why they had me beat. It got hard to follow the proceedings after a while because the way I felt they had caught a dent in my armor and they were using that weakness for all they were worth to show me up. But I wouldn't let them. No Sir.!

I maintained an outward composure and a dignified bearing—I think. And that's no mean trick when you figure I had to face 4,000 bosses, all of them delegates to this convention.

But it did make it difficult to follow everything. However, I caught enough to know that speed-up and employment were the big issues at yesterday's session. The NAM wants more speedup.

They also would like to have full employment — but they are afraid it costs too much.

The convention also elected a president whom the release described as a "boy wonder." He is Charles R. Sligh, 46, a big furniture manufacturer from Michigan.

The release said he is a good airplane pilot, was once a water-skiing champion and began to make good when he turned out "a knee-hole desk for the home."

It just goes to show that if you are a good pilot, a water skiier and you have turned out a knee-hole desk, you too can become NAM president.

However, one thing you can be sure of. The next time I cover a NAM convention, I'm going to look at my shoes first, not later.

Feinberg

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day's session by citing the various actions taken against Communists in the courts and before government bodies. He cited the conviction of the 11 national Communist leaders in 1949, the Subversive Activities Control Board proceedings against the Party and the Peter Harisiades deportation case. He also sought to create an atmosphere of hysteria by dragging in the Klaus Fuchs case in England and the Rosenberg case here.

In his opening remarks Bromley read a passage from a book on Soviet law by Andrei Vishinsky, Soviet foreign minister. The quotation dealt with the manner in which the Russian people, under the leadership of Lenin, smashed the old Czarist machinery in 1917 and replaced it with a socialist state.

Twenty-six Marxist books, pamphlets and documents were offered by Bromley and marked as exhibits. Among them were "The Communist Manifesto," several books by Lenin and Stalin and a number of copies of the "Daily Worker."

In a brief opening on behalf of the party, Abt said: "We are under no illusion as to the outcome of this proceeding . . . the Feinberg Law condemns the organization I represent in advance." He told the Regents that the Fuchs and Rosenberg cases "have no more to do with the issues before this body and even less to do with them" than the "Communist Manifesto" and other documents introduced by counsel for the Regents.

Gerson told the hearing panel that the charge that the Communist Party advocates and teaches violent overthrow of the government is "one of the Big Lies of our time." He said it was the party's belief that socialism is "not an article of export or import." The party's defense at the hearing, he added, is "one part of that whole fight for peace."

He suggested that instead of inquiring into doctrine and thought, the Board of Regents should interest themselves in a "vigorous schol construction program." He said they should concern themselves with improving the economic conditions of the teachers. He predicted that in calmer times the Feinberg law would be stricken from the books as were earlier reactionary legislative acts.

Dock

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or less, another 14,000 got about $3,000 a year, and he could not give average wage for the 13,000 remaining workers unaccounted for.

"SPECIALISTS"

He claimed that on the West Coast employers never know what work gangs they're getting, and therefore can't obtain "specialists."

"In other words, this problem of specialization is something to consider," Proskauer offered.

Warwick nodded his head, and Proskauer leaned back contentedly.

The revelations of wide-scale pilferage and unsolved murders on the docks were raised by Proskauer, who asked Warwick whether or not a hiring hall such as operates on the West Coast might not eliminate these evils.

"If we put the same system of the West Coast in New York, cost of cargo would increase $15,000,000 to $25,000,000 a year due to lowered efficiency," Warwick retorted.

Another exponent of the shape-up system whose firm was revealed as having close connections with racketeers was Jones F. Devlin, general manager of the U. S. Lines. Devlin admitted, however, that the hiring system led to "great theft and pilferage" and reduced efficiency by 50 to 60 percent. He told of meetings with ILA delegates, including Ryan and underling goons, on the selection of pier foremen.

He was asked to testify on thefts of cameras and clocks stolen on Pier 46.

Q. Wasn't there 10 tons of steel stolen?

A. That was the most remarkable case of pilferage.

Devlin made it clear the companies prefer to pay off and thus deal with the underworld than to face stoppages, demands for higher wages and better conditions by a democratically-run union.

John Nevins, terminal superintendent of the U. S. Lines, admitted to employing convicted hoodlums as dock bosses after conferences with ILA leaders.

Some of his hiring bosses cited were Nick Ackalitis; Patrick Connolly, executive vice president of the ILA; Harold Bowers, financial secretary, Local 824 and John Keefe, vice-president and business agent of Local 824.

Nevins also testified he was "forced to take" Mickey Bowers to help run pier operations.

Send your contributions for the Daily Worker fund drive to P. O. Box 136, Cooper Station, New York.

PP ASKS EISENHOWER PICK NEFROES FOR HIGH OFFICE

The Progressive Party yesterday sent to President-elect Eisenhower a special resolution adopted over the weekend at a meeting of its National Committee calling on him to appoint Negroes to cabinet and other high offices, and particularly to the governing commission of the District of Columbia in accordance with his campaign promises to wipe out segregation and discrimination in the nation's capital and in the Federal service.

The resolution, drawn up by the National Committee to Elect Negroes to Public Office, urged General Eisenhower to move speedily on the appointment of Negroes now, just as he has moved in appointing other cabinet officers.

Mrs. Bass Asks Truman End Washington Bias

Mrs. Charlotta Bass, outstanding Negro editor, acting on behalf of the National Committee of the Progressive Party yesterday sent a telegram to President Truman urging him to issue an executive order to end segregation and discrimination in the District of Columbia be-

Industry Members Boycott WSB

WASHINGTON, Dec. 4. — Industry members of the Wage Stabilization Board today boycotted a meeting of the WSB panel, following the announcement last night that President Truman had overruled the WSB and had approved a $1.90 wage increase for coal miners, instead of the $1.50 ordered by wage board.

In addition, Archibald Cox, WSB chairman, resigned today.

The board's industry members scheduled an emergency meeting for tomorrow afternoon to decide their course.

Pittsburgh Hotel Workers Win Pay Hikes

PITTSBURGH, Dec. 4 (FP).—The Wage Stabilization Board has approved a new wage contract for 2,500 hotel workers here, providing increases of 3 to 9c an hour, was won by Local 188 and 237, AFL Hotel and Restaurant Workers Union, and Local 141, AFL Laundry Workers Intl. Union (both AFL).

The increases are retroactive to Oct. 1.

Cleveland News Hikes Price to 7c.

CLEVELAND, Dec. 4.—The Cleveland News today announced a 2-cent boost in its prices. Effective next Monday, the price of the News, an afternoon paper, will go up from 5 to 7 cents.

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N. J. Governor Urged to Free Trenton Two

NEWARK, N. J., Dec. 4.—Gov. Alfred E. Driscoll was asked today to free the last two of the "Trenton Six" Negroes still imprisoned under a murder frameup. The request was made in a letter signed by Lewis M. Moroze, executive secretary of the New Jersey Civil Rights Congress.

Four of the frameup victims were acquitted at a third trial, while Ralph Cooper and Collis English received life imprisonment. The N. J. Supreme Court in a recent decicion reversed the life sentence imposed on the two men.

English is suffering with a heart ailment which is delaying his transfer from the state prison. Medical authorities at the jail describe his condition as getting "progressively worse."

The Governor was urged to instruct the Attorney General to have the indictments dropped.

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Pittsburghers Defeat Attack on Symphony Dedicated to USSR

By ART SHIELDS

PITTSBURGH.—An attempt by the witchhunting Judge Michael A. Musmanno and the labor spy Matt Cvetic to wreck the Pittsburgh Music Festival, because one of the scheduled compositions written during the anti-fascist war had been dedicated to the Soviet Union, was overwhelmingly defeated here.

[The Pittsburgh Contemporary Music Festival—the first ever held in this city—took place the week of Nov. 24-29. Official co-sponsors were the Carnegie Institute and the Pennsylvania College for Women. The Festival presented 48 compositions by musicians of 18 countries. Roy Harris, American composer, was its guiding force. Among the organizations that helped finance the festival programs were the Mellon Educational and Charitable Trust, Howard Heinz Foundation, Baldwin Piano Co. and the American Society of Composers, Authors and Publishers.]

Musmanno, Cvetic and Judge Blair F. Gunther, of the Pennsylvania Superior Court, had been railing for days at Dr. Roy Harris, the composer of the Fifth Symphony, which had been dedicated to the Soviet Union.

They denounced the composer in the press and radio with almost the same violence that they had used against Steve Nelson.

But Pittsburghers rejected the redbaiting culture-killers. Cries of "Bravo!" "Bravo!" filled the giant Syrian Mosque auditorium when the audience of several thousands stood up and applauded composer Harris for several minutes.

Harris' Fifth Symphony was the principal musical feature of the Festival.

ROY HARRIS

Nothing else got such tremendous applause.

Some high Pittsburgh dignitaries joined in the applause. Among them were Mayor David L. Lawrence, co-chairman of the Festival; James H. Bovard, president of Carnegie Institute, a co-chairman, and Paul R. Anderson, president of the Pennsylvania College for Women, another co-chairman.

The three Pittsburgh leaders said in part:

"The thing to remember is that it (the Harris symphony) was dedicated to the people of Russia when they were our allies in the days of Stalingrad when the American people universally wished the Russian people success in their resistance to the Nazi invasion.

"We all pray for the day when we can be friends again with every people in the world.

"If we were to draw a musical barrier against all of those with whom we have sometimes been at war," the concert stage "would be deprived" of German, Italian, Spanish, Mexican "or even British" music.

Dr. Harris, in a statement, reminded the people that the United States has never been at war with the Soviet Union. He was not a Communist, he added.

Musmanno, Cvetic and Gunther had first gone to Harris to demand he cancel his dedication to the Soviet Union. When Harris refused they asked some of his musical colleagues to put pressure on Harris. They likewise refused. Then they asked other Festival authorities to halt the symphony. When that failed they begged the people over the radio to "sit on their hands" when the Harris Fifth Symphony was rendered.

Instead the audience gave the Symphony joyful applause.

The three redbaiters wailed that the performance was a "red scar on the face of Pennsylvania."

Mayor Lawrence and his colleagues, however, called it a "landmark in Pittsburgh's cultural progress" and expressed their "deep thanks to Dr. Harris," who directed the symphony as well as composed it.

The CIO here has asked Dr. Harris to give low price performances in the mill towns.

'OUTPOST IN MALAYA' IS A RUBBER EXPLOITERS' FILM

From J. Arthur Rank's film, "Outpost in Malaya," which made its debut at Loew's State, one would never know that the Malayan people are fighting for their independence along with other colonial peoples of Asia . . . Britain's U. S. -backed war on the Malayan people is passed off as a battle to suppress bandit gangs attacking rubber plantations.

But in presenting this lie, British film magnate Rank does us at least one service. The picture exposes the U. S. State Department's false words about needing victory in Malaya to protect the "free world."

The word "Communism" is not even hinted at in the picture, which says frankly that the fighting is to protect the holdings of imperialist owners of Malayan rubber. As one charaeter candidly says about the main plantation boss, "Old Jim wouldn't like to lose his trees."

All of the Malayan people, except a few collaborators, are portrayed with contempt. Their lives do not count, but serve only the needs of the white gentry.

The main problem of the story, of course, is not the future of the Malayan people. It is whether Claudette Colbert can go on living happily in Malaya with her rich husband, sharing the joys of fighting off "bandits" and blissfully reaping profits together at the expense of the people.

The film's attempt to make a thriller out of the brutal slaughter of the Malayans falls flat on its face.

A melodramatic ending, complete with the piercing screams of Claudette, was met with laughter from the audience. The louder she screamed, the louder they laughed.

But the rubber plantation is saved! —T. JACOBS.

Forum on 'Jazz' This Sunday

A forum on "Jazz" will be held this Sunday afternoon 3:30 p.m. at the Frederick Douglass School. Speakers will be Sidney Finkelstein, author of "How Music Expresses Ideas" and "Jazz" and Abner W. Berry, an editor of The Worker. Hope Foye, young people's artist, will chair the discussion.

Contemporary Negro music and the special problems of the Negro musician will be discussed, as well as the role of "Be Bop" and other jazz innovations. There will be audience discussion and illustrative recordings.

The forum is to be held at the school's auditorium, 124 West 124 St. Admission is $1.

'Loyalty' Victims Invited Back by California U.

BERKELEY, Calif., Dec. 3. (FP).—After more than two years the University of California has invited back the 17 faculty members who were dismissed for refusing to sign the special regents' loyalty oath. It also invited back 10 others who did not take their cases to court but who were recommended for reinstatement by the university's academic senate.

Reappointment is dependent on the teachers' signing the Levering act oath for all public employes, incorporated into the state constitution in the Nov. 4 election.

Any professor who does not wish to sign this oath may "resign honorably," according to president Robert G. Sproul, and if he does so within 30 days will receive full retroactive and severance pay up to that date.

Details of compensation for the others will be worked out by Sproul.

WOMAN AND CHILD
By ANDREA GOMEZ

Brazil, Mexican Art Exhibit This Weekend

An exhibit of Mexican and Brazilian Graphic Art will be held this Saturday and Sunday (Dec. 6-7) from 1 to 7 p.m. at Hotel Albert, 42 E. 11 St. Admission is free.

The exhibit is sponsored by the Latin American Research Bureau. One of its features will be a complete display of the new Mexican art publication 'Art De Publico' which includes works by a host of distinguished Mexican artists, including David Alfaro Siqueiros and Diego Rivera.

A set of eight 16x20 prints by Mexican masters of graphic art will be on sale at the exhibit for $3. Included in this portfolio are works by Pablo O'Higgins, Alberto Beltran, Andrea Gomez, Leopold Mendez, Raul Anguiano and Jose Chavez Morado.

On Sunday night at 7:30 there will be a symposium on 'Modern Art and The People.' The speakers will be Elmer Bendiner, recently returned from Brazil, and artists Charles White, Robert Gwathemy and Jack Levine.

on the scoreboard—

—by lester rodney

Some Yankee Organization Quotes . . . .

WHEN JACKIE ROBINSON struck a nerve with an honest answer on a national television program to a young woman fan's honest question, the Yankees' George Weiss began jumping down at the Phoenix winter meetings. The Yanks don't discriminate, said the general manager of an organization which has the game's biggest bankroll and biggest scouting organization and has never outscouted or outbid the Dodgers, Indians and Giants for such stars as Doby, Irvin, Mays, Newcombe, Black and Minoso—all of whom played in Yankee Stadium as Negro League stars before being signed by anyone.

An organization, mind you, which has never so much as had a single Negro prospect at its St. Petersburg spring training camp for a LOOK.

Yes, the Yankees have Negro players on some of their farm teams. Which brings up an interesting little conversation recorded by Dan Daniel in the World-Telegram of July 17, this year. It amply demonstrates the attitude of Weiss toward any Negro player on a Yankee farm who seems to be moving toward big league stature. Get this. Weiss would undoubtedly like it forgotten right now:

DANIEL: "How about the agitation for a Negro player in the Stadium? Vic Power, outfielder with the Kansas City club, has been leading the American Association in batting for the past five weeks. He is hitting .357 and has driven in 75 runs. Is it fair to assume that Power will be asked to report at St. Petersburg next spring?"

WEISS: "There is no basis for assuming any such thing."

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WOULD YOU CALL that unconcealed hostility a prejudiced attitude by the Yankee management? Could you call it anything else? That's what Jackie Robinson said. Who is Weiss trying to kid now that the national spotlight goes on his un-American policies? Those Negro and white pickets around the Stadium on Saturday afternoons weren't walking around for their health.

And what does the unprejudiced Weiss and the other Yankee moguls have to say about this quote of Bill McCorry, Weiss' personal appointment as Yankee travelling secretary, after the rotten firing of the popular Jackie Farrell? Here is what McCorry snarled, in the presence of other reporters, to a New York Times reporter, who was speaking of Willie Mays:

"I don't care what he (Mays) did today or any other day. I got no use for him—or any of them. I wouldn't want any of them on a club I was with. I wouldn't arrange a berth on the train for any of them."

There it is. Will the Yankee management immediately fire this foul racist to prove Robinson was wrong on the television program?

If McCorry is not fired forthwith, the fans of New York should certainly think about dealing with the Yankee organization exactly as they would deal with it if John Rankin were hired as travelling secretary.

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WHAT SOME PEOPLE would have liked was revealed in a World-Telegram headline from Phoenix entitled "Frick Will Apply Silencer On Jackie." The story said that Weiss had conferred with Frick. The headline turned out all wet, as the commissioner denied he would speak to Robinson at all and said: "There is still free speech in baseball." On past occasions Frick has been no noticeable improvement on Happy Chandler, but this time it must be admitted he said it good.

It was also nice to see Buzzy Buvazi, Dodger general manager and a much different cut of cat than Weiss, say that the Yanks had no right to accuse Robinson of "popping off," that Jackie had been asked a question "and he answered it."

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ONE FINAL NOTE for the moment on the Robinson-Yankee affair. Vic Power, the Negro player for the Yanks' Kansas City farm team, wound up hitting .331 with 109 runs batted in. He played outfield, first and third, wherever he was most needed, and he has expressed confidence that he could make the big leagues.

By any baseball standards, he certainly rates a look at St. Petersburg. Will he get it? And will he be at the tender mercies of McCorry for his travelling arrangements?

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This and That

A DODGER DEAL for lefty Warren Spahn is reported really simmering. He would certainly be what the pitching staff needed. The Braves want no less than Hodges, Furillo and Cox. Two of those three, with the possible substitution of Pafko for Furillo, and a farmhand thrown in, is possible, and would be a good deal for both clubs, think we. . . .

"World Sport," official magazine for the British Olympic Association, has just concluded a poll to name the "leading" sportsman" in the world. Emil Zatopek of Czechoslovakia was the runaway winner. . . . With the Giant offense, running as well as passing, in the doldrums, wouldn't it seem like a good idea to give the speedy, elusive Emlen Tunnell a chance to run with offense? At Iowa he was a tremendous ground gainer, and his runbacks of punts and kickoffs have shown him to be the most dangerous open field threat the Giants have. . . .

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NEW GROUND GAINING leader in pro football is Dan Towler, the hard-hitting Negro fullback of the L. A. Rams out of Donora, Pa., and Washington and Jefferson. His 132 yards against the '49ers put him out in front with 792 for the season. His running threat helps open things up for the spectacular go-all-the-way aerials of Waterfield and Van Brocklin. . . . The "Post" is out already with the gamblers' point spread on the Bowl Games. And even though the regular season is largely over they manage to serve the gamblers by digging up and printing the point spread on such games as Georgia vs. Miami and Florida vs. Kentucky Saturday. Free press, you know. (Isn't it disgusting? . . .)

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THANKS TO those who have sent money in to the paper through this column the past few days. Will definitely catch up on all acknowledgments in Monday's column. Please keep it coming, especially those who haven't sent anything yet.

HAVE YOU INTRODUCED A NEW READER TO NEW YORK'S ONLY PROGRESSIVE PAPER?

Smith Act Judge Sends Negro to Jail as 'Example'

By DON WHEELDIN

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 4.—Federal Judge William C. Mathes, who added to his reputation for harsh sentences during the recent Smith Act trials here, sent a Negro postal worker to prison last week despite recommendation of U. S. prosecutors and the federal probation department for leniency.

Jesse Sparks, 34, postal clerk, worked for 15 years for the U.S. postal service at Station R, 330 W. Vernon Ave.

With a perfect record behind him, Sparks and his wife, who also worked, started buying a home and an automobile. Sparks also contributed to the purchase of a home for his mother.

In the course of carrying this heavy financial load, both Sparks' wife and his mother fell ill. The added medical bills doubled the debts of the Negro postal worker.

The situation worsened as creditors threatened to garnishee his wages.

URGENT NEED

On Sept. 15, Sparks had to have $200 cash for immediate payment of bills, in order to forestall threats of attachment against his salary. Such an attachment could have resulted in loss of his civil service job.

The postal clerk, in desperation, reached into the cash box and took $200 to satisfy his creditor deadline, figuring to repay the amount Sept. 18—three days later—when his paycheck was due to arrive.

Sparks knew that postal inspection was scheduled—but the postal inspectors were not due until the 18th.

But the postal inspector came to Station R to inspect the records on the 17th.

Sparks pleaded "an emergency" to leave his job and rush out to scrape up $200 from among friends.

He returned to the post office and hastily shoved the missing money into his cash box.

'AN EXAMPLE'

The replaced $200 lay crumpled in the drawer when the inspector reached Sparks' desk—Sparks had not had sufficient time to sort and stack the bank notes properly.

Questioned briefly, Sparks broke down and confessed he had borrowed the money and had just replaced it.

In view of the Negro clerk's excellent work record and the fact that restitution had been made, even before there was any knowledge of the missing money, Asst. U.S. Atty. Ray Kinnison recommender to Judge Mathes that no imprisonment, but a stiff fine of $1,500 be imposed on the harried Sparks.

Not so in the eyes of Judge Mathes, however.

"This man must be made an example to thousands of others who might be tempted during the Christmas mail rush season," said the grim lipped Mathes. "They must be impressed that the mails are sacred.

"Therefore, I sentence you, Mr. Sparks, to a year and a day in the federal penitentiary."

FRENCH GOV'T BOYCOTTS UN DEBATE ON TUNISIA

UNITED NATIONS, N. Y., Dec. 4.—The United Nations as it opened debate on Tunisia's protests against violence and oppression by French imperialists, was given notice today by the French Government that French delegates would boycott the debate.

French delegate Henri Hoppenot handed a letter to the chairman of the main political committee, Brazil's Joao Carlos Muniz, serving notice that France would snub not only the Tunisian debate but the Moroccan discussions due to follow.

MOVE OFFICES

American Women for Peace announced yesterday that it had moved its national offices from 257 Seventh Ave., to 125 W. 72 St., where it will continue its many-sided activities for peace.

UPW Bazaar Opens Tonight

The Gala Annual Bazaar of the United Public Workers opens tonight (Friday) at the Yugo-Slav American Hall, 405 W. 41 St., near Ninth Ave. It will continue through tomorrow and Sunday.

Toys, pottery, linens, books, apparel, jewelry, etc., are among items offered. Records will be sold at 75 percent off list, it was announced.

Refreshments will be served.

Mrs. Bass to Speak Sunday on Germany

Mrs. Charlotta Bass will speak on "Germany and the Fight for Peace" at the rally being held Sunday night, 7 p.m., by the German-American, anti-fascist German language monthly.

Other speakers will be Dr. David Krinkin, editor of Russky Golos; Mrs. Sophie Kleecker, chairwoman of the Nationality Division of American Women for Peace; Gerhard Hagelberg, an editor of the German - American; Miss Reiko Urabe, Japanese-American peace leader, and Louis Harap, editor of Jewish Life.

Hope Foye, Negro soprano, will present a program of new German songs she collected on her recent tour through the German Democratic Republic.

The rally will be held at the Yugoslav Hall, 405 W. 41 St. Tickets are $1.25. They may be obtained in advance from the German-American, 130 E. 16 St., at $1.

825 Boatmen Get New Pact After 3 Months

PITTSBURGH, Dec. 4 (FP).—Contracts covering 825 river boatmen, members of three unions, have been signed here, following a three-month delay.

The Master Mates & Pilots (AFL), with 125 members involved, voted to accept an offer from the U.S. Steel Co. for pay increases of $51.44 to $85.73 per month. The U.S. Steel settlement was expected to set a pattern for other major river barge operators, including Jones & Laughlin Steel Corp., Wheeling Steel, Hillman Transportation and Pittsburgh Consolidation Coal.

N. Y. Peace Rally to Phone Vienna Parley

A telephone hook-up with the session of the Vienna Peace Congress is being arranged for the Peace of Earth being held in New York Dec. 15.

Speakers at the N. Y. meeting will include Rev. Kenneth Ripley Forbes, executive secretary of the Episcopal League for Social Action, and Rabbi Dr. Samuel Buchler, of the People's Synagogue. Dr. Willard Uphaus, director of the U. S. Sponsoring Committee for Representation at the Congress of the Peoples for Peace, which is organizing the rally, will be chairman.

The rally is being held at the Palm Garden, 306 W. 52 St., 8 p.m. Tickets at $1, reserved section $2, are available at the office of the U. S. Sponsoring Committee, 40 W. 46 St., and at the New York Peace Institute, 111 W. 42 St.

What's On?

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CLUB CINEMA presents "Cabinet of Dr. Caligari" one of the most famous films of all times, a masterpiece, and a film milestone, Friday, Saturday and Sunday, continuous shows starting 8:30 p.m. at 430 Sixth Ave. (nr. 9th St.) $1 for members; $1.25 for non-members.

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SYMPOSIUM—"Modern Art and The People. Sunday, Dec. 7th at 7:30 p.m. Speakers: Elmer Bendiner—Reports on Interview with Candido Portinari and Robert Gwathemy, Charles White and Jack Levine. Hotel Albert, 42 E. 11th St. Donation $1. Sponsored by Latin-American Research Bureau.

"JAZZ" is the subject of a forum to be held on Sunday afternoon, Dec. 7th, 3:30 p.m. at the Frederick Douglass Educational Center. Abner W. Berry and Sidney Finkelstein are the speakers. Hope Foye will chair the discussion. Blues, Spirituals, Gospel Songs, Be Bop and all kinds of jazz recordings will be played. At 124 West 124 St. (nr. Lenox) Cont. $1.

SUNDAY FORUM presents "Problems in the Fight Against Male Supremacy" with speakers: Doxey A. Wilkerson and Dorothy Harrison on Sunday, Dec. 7 at 8:15 p.m. Refreshments. Contr.: $1.00 (50c for students) at Jefferson School of Social Science, 575 Sixth Ave. (cor 16th St.)

MRS. CHARLOTTA BASS speaks on "Germany and the Fight for Peace," at Yugoslav Hall, Sunday 7 p.m., Dec. 7th. Tickets at door $1.25; in advance $1 from the German American, 130 E. 16 St., New York City ORegon 4-4476.

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BRAZILIAN & MEXICAN GRAPHIC ART
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with
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(Washington's Birthday)

Katherine Hyndman
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MASS MEETING.
To Protest the Walter-McCarran Law and Free the Ellis Island Seven
Tuesday, Dec. 9 — 8 pm
Webster Hall, 119 E. 11 St.
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